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SCOTT IS SATISFIED WITH NEW DISTRICT

All He Asks, So He Says, is a Free Vote and a Fair Count in All Elections

The following appeared in Tuesday's Tennessean from its Washington correspondent:

In the passage of a bill putting Hardeman and Fayette counties in the Eighth Congressional district Representative Scott said the legislature evidently attempted to dehorn him, but that the situation was satisfactory.

"You don't see me cutting up, do you," he said. "Well, I am not disturbed. All I ask is a free vote and a fair count."

He said the legislature had paid him a compliment by enlarging his district from ten to twelve counties without imperiling his chances for re-election. "The addition of the two so called democratic counties of Hardeman and Fayette does not lessen my chances," said Scott. "I face the situation with confidence."

Scott does not credit the report that former Senator Sanders is supporting Judge Ross, but he says he is backing Haun. He said, however, Sanders is bitterly opposed to Anderson for judge and Beasley for collector.

Representative Clouse saw President Harding Monday, after which he said there would probably be no appointments made for Tennessee until congress convenes.

Fear Big Damage

The farmers and fruit growers of the Atwood community say that the freeze and frost the first of the week did considerable damage to fruit and young vegetables, and they are also afraid that the clovers lately sown, are killed. The mercury was down to 26 degrees there.

ICE AND FROST DO DAMAGE TO FRUIT

Early Vegetables, Strawberries, Peaches and Pears Are Believed to be Ruined

A cold wave which broke into an unusually warm spring routed the temperature down to about 26 degrees Monday night, causing heavy frost and a good deal of ice, doing much damage to fruit and vegetables. A freezing temperature following the exceedingly warm weather we were having, hurt and caused much shivering among those who had donned their spring clothing.

It is believed that the fruit crop of this section, including peaches, pears and apples, is seriously damaged if not entirely ruined. Early strawberries are badly injured.

The freeze and frost have caused the loss of thousands of dollars to the county.

Sheriff Quoted

The sheriff of Hardeman county was ousted from his office by the chancery court, Chancellor Hal H. Holmes, of Trenton, presiding in the absence of Judge J. W. Ross. The charge against the sheriff was permitting street fair gambling and other unlawful act in connection with a street carnival held in Bolivar a few months ago. County and city officials should not permit street carnivals for, with a large per cent of them, gambling and indecent exhibitions are largely their stock and trade.

Herbert Jones' Funeral

The funeral of Lieut. Herbert J. Jones, son of Judge and Mrs. Joe E. Jones of Dresden, were buried last Sunday. Young Jones was killed in action in France and

his body arrived at the home of his parents last Saturday. Rev. J. W. Irion, of Ripley, his former pastor and personal friend, conducted the burial services. Herbert was killed by a German shell while he was carrying a wounded soldier from the field. Those attending the burial from Huntingdon were W. F. Jones and wife, Wayne Jones, Victor and Jean Hawkins and Dr. and Mrs. Roy A. Douglass.

New Country Store

A. G. Morrisett, a farmer living on route No. 3, is building a store house on the public road near his home a short distance from Hilliards' school house. When the building is completed Mr. Morrisett will supply it with a stock of goods and conduct a country store. That is a good community and is nearly seven miles from Huntingdon.

FAVOR J. T. PEELER FOR CHANCELLOR

If Ross Should Land as Federal Judge a Local Lawyer is Favored for Place

The following appeared in the Saturday's Commercial Appeal as a special from Camden:

"Should Chancellor J. W. Ross be appointed to the vacant Judgeship of the federal court of the Western district of Tennessee, the democrats and a large number of republicans of West Tennessee will ask Gov. Taylor to appoint the Hon. John T. Peeler to the vacancy as the democrats elected Chancellor Ross by refusing to let any democrat run against him. The chancery district is largely democratic and a democrat could have been elected very easily.

It is practically understood by the democrats of the district that they will run Mr. Peeler the next time for the position, and should he be the democratic nominee he will easily be elected. Mr. Peeler resides at Huntingdon and stands well and is well qualified for the position.

Raine Pardoned

Hunter C. Raine, former president of the old Mercantile Bank of Memphis, and charged with being connected with the theft of \$1,091,000 of the bank's funds, was granted an unconditional pardon recently by Governor Taylor. He had served about four years in the federal prison at Atlanta, and was serving a state sentence of from four to ten years for fraudulent breach of trust, when friends successfully interceded for his freedom.

HARDING POLICY FOLLOWS WILSON

New Administration Cautious, in Many Cases Follows the Wilson Policy

In so far as Harding's foreign policy has developed it is following closely along Wilson's positions, and accentuates the fact that when he gets down to bedrock there is fundamentally little difference between the republican and democratic view of what America's duties and obligations are in matters of foreign policy.

The country had cause, from campaign utterances, to expect sweeping changes when President Harding was elected. It was argued that the democratic administration was full of incompetents and that there ought to be a house-cleaning in Washington. That was the campaign talk. But, when full responsibility comes, the conditions presented a changed and more serious view.

Changes are being made slowly, and it is said that more than one cabinet officer is pleading with democratic office-holders to stay on a while and give the government the benefit of experience gained in one of the most difficult periods of American history, when problems of the war intensified the activity of government officials and gave them a broader training than possible in normal times.

McKenzie Wins

The McKenzie High School opened its baseball season with a victory over the strong Milan High School team. The score was McKenzie 16 runs to Milan's seven. Both of these schools always have good teams.

COUNTY ATTORNEY COLLECTS BACK TAXES

Bill Introduced in Senate Last Tuesday to Cover Advalorem and Privileges

The county attorney is substituted for the back tax attorney in a bill introduced Tuesday by Senator J. T. Durham, and which is intended to remove the last excuse for the appointment of a state revenue agent.

Senator Durham's bill, introduced Monday, failed to provide for the collection of advalorem and privilege taxes. The bill introduced Tuesday is devoted to this phase of the tax problem exclusively.

Under the Durham plan it is made mandatory on the part of the county court clerk to notify the merchants of their delinquency and he is directed to place the cases of delinquents who refuse to heed a summons to pay in the hands of the county attorney for collection. The attorney will receive 10 per cent commission in lieu of the 15 per cent now paid to revenue agents.

County court clerks who fail to comply with the provisions of the act are deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor in office and are punishable by a fine of \$25 to \$50 for each offense.

Election Notice

A special election is hereby called to be held on Saturday, April 9, 1921, in the Fifteenth and Seventeenth Civil Districts of Carroll County, Tennessee.

In the Fifteenth Civil District a Justice of the Peace and a Constable will be elected to fill the vacancy now existing in these offices. The following named parties are

appointed to hold the election in this district:

J. M. Williams, officer; G. O. Kee, Garvin Park and Howard Owen, judges; L. L. King and M. R. Kyle, clerks.

In the Seventeenth Civil District a Justice of the Peace will be elected to fill the vacancy now existing in that office in this district and the following named parties are appointed to hold the election: E. W. Allen, officer; A. H. Crews, J. T. Grissam and A. M. Pinson, judges; L. J. Wilson and W. S. Hastings, clerks.

This March 28, 1921.

J. T. PEELER,
J. W. WILLIAMS,
G. D. MCKENZIE,
Election Commissioners.

School Reopens

The school at Atwood reopened last Monday morning, after being closed two weeks on account of smallpox. All the cases of smallpox have been released from quarantine except two.

TWO COUNTIES ARE ADDED TO EIGHTH

Hardeman and Fayette Counties Have Been Added to this District

The Tennessee legislature has passed a redistricting law that attaches Hardeman and Fayette counties to the Eighth Congressional district. These are democratic counties and should remove any possible chance for the election of a republican in this district.

The county of Tipton is added to the Ninth district and Shelby county will constitute a congressional district within itself.

An act has also been passed requiring women to pay poll tax prior to voting. There is some talk of applying the Dorch ballot to the entire state; also registration. But we think this will hardly be done.

Tennessee is a normally democratic state, and when the democrats do their duty, there is no question as to the result. Tennessee democrats, we believe, will be inclined to do their duty in the future.

Barn Burned

The barn on the T. S. Jenkins place, just west of where he now lives, was destroyed by fire last Saturday night. One horse was burned to death. All the contents were destroyed, including several tons of hay. It is not known how the fire originated, as no one now resides at the place.

Freeze at Trezevant

Much damage was done all kinds of fruit and vegetables in the community of Trezevant, which is quite a fruit growing section, by the freeze and frost the first of the week. Peaches, pears, cherries, apples, plums, damsons, and other fruits were badly damaged and it is said strawberry crops was injured at least 25 per cent.

TROUBLE AT OIL WELL WORK BEING DELAYED

Six Inch Casing Twists in Two Leaving Bit in Bottom of Well—Officers Here

The drillers at the oil well are having some serious trouble. Last week the 6-inch casing, which was being put down within the larger casing, twisted in two, leaving the bit end something like 150 feet of the casing in the bottom of the well. Work was stopped and the officials of the company notified.

Mr. Sark, the field man for the Johnson Oil & Refining Company, arrived here the last of the week, and Mr. Goldsberry, who operates the rotary drill outfit, came in last Tuesday, and they commenced work Wednesday to extract the lost parts of the machinery from the bottom of the well. It is thought they will succeed in doing this, but it may take some time.

If they fail in withdrawing the bit and lost casing from the well, it is not known what course will be pursued by the Johnson company.

Will Explore for Oil

Commencing the first of April New York capitalists, headed by Col. M. A. Westlow, of Bowling Green, will begin boring for oil in Henry county. They have recently acquired 15,000 acres of leases in one block and will drill two deep test wells for oil during the spring. The first of these wells will likely be started this week. In addition the town of Paris has put up \$5,000. Each of the wells will be drilled to a depth of 2,500 feet if necessary to find oil, and the equipment to be used is to be such as to insure a thorough test.

W. H. LASSITER & CO. BUYING MANY CHICKS

Shipped Car Last Saturday and Are in the Market for Another Car This Week

W. H. Lassiter & Co., shipped a car of poultry last Saturday, purchased the latter part of last week. This company is in the market for another car to be completed Saturday of this week. For prices see their ad in another column of this week's issue of the Democrat.

Poultry is bringing fairly good prices. A few years ago the present prices would have been considered very high, and the poultry raisers would have been delighted to receive them. Even at the present prices poultry and eggs bring the farmers a considerable amount of money.

HEAVY RAIN FALL DOES MUCH DAMAGE

Sunday Night's Rain the Hardest and the Water the Highest in Years

The heaviest rain fall seen here in years began Sunday night about 8 o'clock and continued throughout the night without ceasing. On Monday morning every stream near Huntingdon was overflowing and many bridges were washed away or badly damaged. The creeks were said to be higher than for years. Only a very small crowd was in town Monday owing to the high waters.

Only about three of the carries out from Huntingdon were able to make their complete routes, owing to the high water. One or two of them only got a short distance from town before returning. They all report much damage done by the downpour of rain and the heavy waters that followed.

The Grand Leader

A Store Full of Merchandising

Suggestions for April selling—every article puts special emphasis on quality, variety and economy

We suggest you look around then come here

Priest & Priest

The Home of Hart Shaffner & Marx Clothes